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In re application of : **Confirmation No. 5779**

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RESPONSE UNDER 37. CFR 1.116
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RESPONSE TO FINAL REJECTION

Commissioner for Patents
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Sir:

In response to the Final Rejection dated June 4, 2004, please amend the present application as follows: